subjects like, core banking solutions, e-Banking/Internet Banking, Know Your Customer (KYC) and Anti Money Laundering (AML), Risk Management, system-related frauds, etc. now form an integral part of the training curricula.

Pending cases of compassionate appointment in Banks

3987. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:
SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are a large number of cases pending before the Nationalised Banks for appointment on compassionate basis as on date;

(b) if so, the details thereof Bank-wise and place-wise; and

(c) by when a final decision in regard to these cases is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) No, Sir. All Nationalised Banks have adopted a scheme of payment of ex-gratia (lump-sum amount) in lieu of appointment on compassionate grounds. Thus, as on date, the scheme of appointment on compassionate grounds is not in operation in any Nationalised Bank.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Loans to poor farmers

†3988. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated a scheme to give loans to the poor farmers through Banks;

(b) whether farmers are unable to repay the loan amount as agriculture work is non-profitable; and

(c) if so, whether there is any scheme under consideration to provide financial assistance to farmers in place of loan?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) Commercial Banks are already making substantial flow of credit to farmers. The Ground Level Credit (GLC) flow to agriculture in the country was Rs. 1,57,480 crore during 2005-06 registering a growth of 26% over the previous year.

(b) Farmers are not able to repay their loans due to a variety of reasons.

(c) At present there is no scheme to give assistance in place of Bank loan.

Non-payment of dues by BCCI

3989. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the huge earning sports board in the country, BCCI, had not paid any outstanding dues of taxes of Rs. 361 crore since the last three years;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken for recovering the tax money from the BCCI;

(d) whether Government are observing BCCI's financial decisions as there has been lot of criticisms going on about the financial misappropriation; and

(e) if so, what are Government's views and response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) All taxes raised against BCCI have been paid. There are no outstanding dues of taxes of Rs. 361 crore. A demand of Rs. 35.36 lakhs has been recently raised in the month of March, 2006 for A.Y. 2003-04 and the same will be recovered at the earliest.

(b) does not arise.

(c) does not arise.

(d) Returns of income are regularly filed. Details as required, are filed at the time of assessment. No evidence of misappropriation or irregularity has been noticed. No complaint of such nature has also been received